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on

SATURDAY, June 9, 1923.

commencing at 10.30 a.m.

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A Quantity of

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Teak desks and chairs, Bookcases,
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And

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Terms: Cash on delivery.

On View from Friday the 8th June
1923.LAMBERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, June 1, 1923.

on

THURSDAY, July 19, 1923.

commencing at 3 p.m.

at the old premises of the Hongkong
Electric Co., Wing Fung Street,
Wanchai.Two (2) 500 B. H. P. Diesel Genera-
tors Complete with alternators & exci-
tatorsThree (3) 300 B. H. P. Diesel Genera-
tors Complete with alternators & exci-
tatorsTwo (2) 250 K. W. Steam alternators
complete with excitation and switchboardsOne (1) Babcock & Wilcox water tube
boiler complete with fittings and chain
grate stokerOne (1) marine type boiler complete
with fittingsTwo (2) 50 K. W. Alternators (without
excitation)One (1) Main Switchboard consisting
of machine panels and feeder panels

One (1) Duplex Feed Pump

Three (3) Heenan & Froude type water
coolersOne (1) Lot of steel steam pipes and
valves

Two (2) Sulzer pumps

Three (3) Albany Rotary pumps

Three (3) Fans for cooling towers and

Three (3) motors for same

One (1) Water tank

One (1) 120 Gallon oil tank

One (1) Set of spare gear for Diesel
Engine consisting of 251 items

One (1) 10 ton Travelling crane and

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Auctioneers.

Hongkong, May 23, 1923.

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Ten minutes..... 10 "

Quarter hour..... 15 "

Half hour..... 20 "

One hour..... 30 "

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fare shall be chargeable.For 2 or 3 drivers the fare is double or
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Ten minutes..... 15 cents

Quarter hour..... 20 "

Half hour..... 30 "

One hour..... 40 "

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I.—Lower Levels.

With 2 Drivers With 1 Driver

Ten minutes..... 10 cents 20 cents

Quarter hour..... 15 " 30 "

Half hour..... 25 " 40 "

One hour..... 35 " 50 "

Every subsequent
hour..... 45 " 60 "

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Ten minutes..... 15 cents 30 cents

Quarter hour..... 20 " 40 "

Half hour..... 30 " 50 "

One hour..... 40 " 60 "

Every subsequent
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Butcher's Meat.				Poultry.			
	May-30, 1923.	June 1918.	June 1914.		May 30, 1923.	June 1918.	June 1914.
	Cts.	Cts.	Cts.		Cts.	Cts.	Cts.
Beef Sirloin, -Mel Lung Pa ... lb.	30	24	12	Chickens, -Rai	85	30	21
" Prime Cut	30	24	12	Capons, Small, -Shi Kai	60	28	20
" Corned, -Ham Ngau Yuk	23	20	10	Capons, Large, -Shi Kai	55	28	20
" Roast, -Shiu	30	24	12	Ducks, -Ap	40	22	15
" Breast, -Ngau Nam	26	20	16	Doves, -Pan Kau ... Each	10	—	—
" Soup, -Tong Yuk	36	26	16	Eggs, Hen, -Kai Tau (cooking) per doz ...	18	—	—
" Steak, -Ngau Yuk Pa	30	24	12	Eggs, Hen, -Kai Tau (fresh) per doz ...	20	20	20
" Steak Sirloin, -Ngau Tau	40	30	35	Fowls, Canton, -Kai Tau ... lb	75	38	24
" Sausages, -Ngau Cheung	20	28	20	Fowls, Hainan, -Hol Nam Kai ... lb ...	46	28	24
Bellock's Brains, -Ngau No per set 13"	10	12	12	Geese, -Ngo	40	24	24
Tongue, fresh, -Ngau Li each 60	60	60	60	Pigeons, Canton, -Fak Kap, each 60	30	30	30
Tongue, cured, -Ham Ngau Li each ... cents	60	—	—	" Hellow, -Hol Hau Pak Kap	32	32	32
Head, -Ngau Tau ... each 1.00	1.00	1.20	1.20	Turkeys, Cook, -Fo Kai King lb. 60	60	60	60
" Heart, -Ngau Sam ... lb. 16	13	14	16	Turkeys, Hen, -Fo Kai Na ... lb. 60	60	60	60
" Hump, Salt, -Ngau Kin ... 26	20	18	18	Salp, -Sha Tau each	22	—	—
" Feet, -Ngau Kouk ... each 12	10	12	12	Freshant, -San Kai	—	—	—
" Kidneys, -Ngau Yiu ... 12	10	12	12	Quail, -Oun Chui	—	—	2
" " -Ngau Mei 24	20	22	22	Partridges, -Oun Ku	—	—	—
" Liver, -Ngau Kouk ... lb. 16	13	14	14				
" Tripe (undressed), Ngau To lb. 2	6	7	7				
Calves' Head and Feet, -Ngau tau-tau-kouk set \$1.20	1.00	1.00	1.00				
Mutton Chop, -Young Fok Kwat lb. 40	28	25	25				
" Leg, -Young Fok 40	28	25	25				
" Shoulder, -Young Shan ... 36	24	24	24				
" Saddle, -Young On Yuk ... 40	16	—	—				
Fig's Chitlings, -Chu Chong ... 36	25	27	27				
" Brains, -Chu No ... per set 3	12	12	12				
" Feet, -Chu Kouk lb. 15	15	—	—				
" Fry, -Chu Chap 40	15	16	16				
" Head, -Chu Tau 18	20	—	—				
" Heart, -Chu Sam each 12	10	10	10				
" Kidneys, -Chu Yiu each 12	10	8	8				
" Liver, -Chu Kouk lb. 35	30	24	24				
Pork Chop, -Chu Pak Kwat ... 30	25	23	23				
" Leg, -Chu Pak 32	28	27	27				
" Loins, -Chu Hau Tau 18	23	—	—				
" Fat or Lard, -Chu Yan ... 22	21	—	—				
Sheep's Head and Feet, -Young Tau-Kouk set 75	60	70	70				
" Heart, -Young Sam 10	6	7	7				
" Kidneys, -Young Yiu ... each 15	12	10	10				
" Liver, -Young Kouk lb. 40	26	25	25				
Smoking Pig, to order, -Chu Tai ... 25	25	22	22				
Suet, Beef, -Shang Ngau Yan ... 28	20	18	18				
" Mutton, -Shang Young Yan ... 40	26	24	24				
Suet, -Ngau Tai Yuk 34	20	19	19				
Sausages, -Ngau Tai Cheung ... 28	20	20	20				
" No 1 lb 30	—	—	—				

Fruits.			
	May 30, 1923.	June 1918.	June 1914.
	Cts.	Cts.	Cts.
Almonds, -Hing Yau lb. 65	35	—	—
Apples, (California), -Kam Shan Ping Ko 30	24	—	—
Bananas, (brills), Macao, -Sam Hong Chin 9	4	—	—
Cassabots, -Yang To 12	—	—	—
Cocoanuts, -Yo Te ... each 10	10	10	10
Lemons, China, -Ling Mung ... lb 10	7	—	—
Lemons, (America), -Kam Shan Ling Mung ... each 8	8	8	8
Lichees, Dried, (small stone), -Lai Chi Kon lb. 32	25	3	—
Oranges, (Hawaii), Sweet, -Shan-sheng Tin Chang lb. 15	—	10	—
Oranges, Tin Chang 24	—	—	—
Pears, (Canton), Cooking, -Sha Li 10	—	—	—
Peanuts, -Pa Shang 12	10	12	12
Persimmons, Large, -Hung Tao 12	—	—	—
Plantain, -Tin Chiu 4	2	4	4
Pineapple, Siam, -Tsin Lo Yan ... each 25	12	6	—
Walnuts, -Hop To lb 16	14	16	16
Grapes, -Po Tai/the 25	—	—	—

Vegetables, &c.			
	May 30, 1923.	June 1918.	June 1914.
	Cts.	Cts.	Cts.
Artichokes, -Ai Chi Cheuk ... each 8	—	6	6
Beans, Sprout, -Nga Tau 4	—	7	7

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Hongkong, May 31, 1923.

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FULLBROOK.—On May 31, 1923, at Shanghai, suddenly, Laurence Ashley Albert Edward Fullbrook, aged 45.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 1923.

PADLOCK SOCIETY.

It was Douglas Jerrold who humorously hit off the Englishman's penchant for forming Societies on the slightest provocation. "If an earthquake were to engulf England to-morrow," said Jerrold, "the English would manage to meet and dine somewhere among the rubbish just to celebrate the event." It might reasonably be said that the road to Heaven is paved with good societies. So bad has the proclivity become of forming societies for this or that object, only to become the ashes of numerous desires that there are some who favour the formation of "A Society for the abolition of Societies."

But there has come to our notice the formation of a society that has its own distinctive appeal on now and original lines. It is called "The Padlock Society," and dates its birth from a day in June, 1922, since when it has gained many thousand members in at least fifteen countries. Three original features at once meet the eye. The society is world-wide; there are no fees to pay, and no forms to fill up. The procedure in joining is simplicity itself. The prospective member must procure a padlock and must unlock it in the presence of

three witnesses repeat a pledge and then lock the padlock. The member's name and address for registration is then sent to Dr. Anthony Smith, Maryland, Letchworth, Herts, England. To remain a member, the promise has to be repeated with an open padlock and in the presence of three witnesses, as before, every New Year's Day. If that is not done, membership of the society ceases.

What then is the promise which is the crux of this strangely-named body? It is this:—

"I promise to try my utmost never to say an unkind thing about anyone, whether true or untrue."

At first sight the promise seems startlingly utopian. Further reflection, and having in mind the frailties of human nature, may suggest the impossibility of such a promise being kept. But it seems worth trying! The Padlock Society, as its promoter points out, represents a corporate effort to stop that thoughtless, idle chattering which does so much harm in the world. It is not aimed against fair criticism of others, or the expression of unfavourable opinions required by duty. The whole point of the pledge lies in motive. As the covering circular lively points out:—"A detective officer about to give evidence in a criminal trial may join, just as well as a bishop." A leading Continental paper commenting on the Society says:—"For thousands of years civilised man has been guided by the dictum, *De mortuis nil nisi bonum*, but it has been left to the Padlock Society to add a similar privilege to the living." It requires no great flight of the imagination to realise what good such a society is capable of doing. Success then to The Padlock Society!

Tricking The "Simple."

There is a moral about these confidence tricks, one of which was reported in Monday's *China Mail*. An old saying from the Chinese classics is worth quoting in connection with them: "Broadly translated it is to the effect that if one resists temptation to be covetous one will never be tricked." Although the victims generally deny it there is one part of the story that seldom comes to light. The victim is not so innocent as he would have it appear. He usually looks at another side of the bargain whereby a sum of "money," considerably exceeding the security put up in handed over to his custody and, to put it mildly, there is every chance of the strangers losing their way while the financial expert looks about for a money-changer. Of course, the Chinese have not the monopoly of the confidence trick. Old as the hills, it is practised with success all over the world, the details being occasionally varied to suit the circumstances. If people would only bear in mind that there is little to be got for nothing and as the natives of Kowloon say, where is such a big frog jumping about in the streets, the shrewd-witted fraternity would soon have to turn to another avocation.

Mental Apathy.

If it has done nothing else, the correspondence we have received regarding our musical festival suggestion has at least produced one of the most striking phrases relative to Hongkong. It has been our lot to hear or read, in the letter with which "B" favoured us yesterday, there appears the arresting phrase: "There seems a sort of mental apathy in the climate." It is a phrase which gives us much to think. Rightly looked at we may see in it the real reason for many of our sins of omission. The thing which strikes the newcomer of a certain type of temperament and also the older resident returned for a brief visit, is our apparent lack of interest in the things which after all, really matter, the things which make for progress although they cannot be summarised in dollars and cents. Our honorary workers in various fields of recreative activities—the activity of the mind rather than that of the muscle, all tell the same story—indifference. But they persevere until in sheer hopelessness they perform give up, picking room for others who flog the moribund if not dead horse with the thongs of a new energy soon to be worn out. Artists visit us; Theatres of tried experience with plays that are the latest if not necessarily the best; come along, to meet generally a fate that, according to box office returns, spell disaster, and a terror to those who make speculation by visiting us. In other words, the story holds true. Our constitutional reformers, finger on getting fewer and fewer as their efforts become weaker; organizations could be enumerated that suffer from a sudden burst of energy and then relapse into unaided and unsung. There seems a sort of mental apathy in the climate and we have to admit not there seems to be, but there is.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Sanitary Board meets this afternoon.

At the Coronet to-night and to-morrow the big picture is "Puppets of Fate," featuring Viola Dana.

Dorothy Dalton, in "His Wife's Friend," is the attraction at the Star Theatre, Kowloon.

To-day is the anniversary of the death of Lord Kitchener who went down with the "Hampshire" off the Orkney Islands.

H.M.S. "Magnolia" has gone to Singapore, and H.M.S. "Dionide" is expected there about June 8. The length of the stay of both ships is at present indefinite.

The preparations for the Shanghai Public School's production of "Julius Caesar" are now complete and there is every prospect of excellent performances at the Lyceum this week.

At the annual inspection of the Hongkong Police Force to be held in the compound at Police Headquarters at 4 p.m. to-morrow afternoon, His Excellency the Governor will present medals for meritorious services to several of the men.

The Hung Yee Club, 71 Des Voeux Road, West, was raided on Sunday by about twenty police officers under Mr. T. H. King, D.S.P. It was stated that the object of the raid was to ascertain if the place was used for political purposes, but nothing incriminating was found. Since the riot of 1919-20 the club has been used mostly by rice dealers and brokers.

CALCUTTA SWEEP.

SINGAPORE MAN DRAWS FAVOURITE.

[China Mail Special.]

SINGAPORE, JUNE 4.

Mr. J. B. Myles, of Singapore, has drawn Town Guard in the Calcutta sweep.

KOWLOON DANGER.

TRAFFIC CONGESTION MUCH "EXAGGERATED."

POLICE OFFICIAL INTERVIEWED.

The "Kowloon danger" is very much exaggerated in the opinion of Mr. P. J. Wodehouse, Deputy Superintendent of Police. When seen at 12.20 to-day, the D.S.P. invited the *China Mail* reporter to accompany him to the corner opposite Kowloon Garage and "watch the traffic for ten minutes." The D.S.P., while willing to admit that there was "an element of danger" in the zone between the end of the ricksha shelter and the Kowloon Garage, submitted that the majority of cures suggested would be worse than the ill. If incoming buses were to keep to the left and swing round past the ferry wharf, the danger to passengers disembarking from the ferry would be far greater than the present one, said Mr. Wodehouse. The only way out of the difficulty, under present conditions, would be to make all buses stop just before the entrance to the path leading to the Harbour Police Office. This would mean, however, that travellers by bus would have to walk the intervening distance to and from the ferry, which would probably be strongly resented. At the present the authorities do not intend to take any action in the matter.

GETTING READY?

CHANG TSO-LIN'S AIR FORCES.

MANILA, June 4.

The *Manila Times* reports that General Chang is now in Manila negotiating for the purchase, on behalf of General Chang Tso-lin, of five Curtiss aeroplanes formerly used by the Philippines Air Service.

Owing to the embargo on war materials to China, Governor-General Wood has cabled to Washington requesting a ruling.

Negotiations are also pending regarding army flour, who might be willing to serve under the Chinese. —Courtesy Daily Bulletin.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The death has occurred of Mr. Frederick Kirby, builder of the Bombay Docks, at the age of 85.

Mr. Ho Fook and Mr. and Mrs. Ho Kam Tong returned to the Colony yesterday on the "Empress of Russia."

According to a Reuter cable from Marseilles, Mr. Wang Ching-hsi, Chinese representative to the International Court of Justice at the Hague has arrived there.

The Hon. Gideon Murray, eldest surviving son of Viscount Elibank, has assumed the title of the Master of Elibank, to which he succeeded upon the death without issue of his brother Lord Murray of Elibank.

The new Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, is a cousin of Mr. Rudyard Kipling. Their mothers were the daughters of the late Rev. G. B. Macdonald, Wesleyan Minister of Wolverhampton.

The Hungarian official *Gazette* announces that Regent Horthy has confirmed the honour of Doctor of Divinity conferred by the Royal University of Debreczen upon the Rev. J. Macdonald Webster, Continental Secretary of the United Free Church of Scotland, in acknowledgment of the valuable services rendered by him to the Hungarian Presbyterian Church.

The *Canton Daily News* says that the British fare from "Moth" and "Moonie," on hearing the news that Dr. Jamieson, H.M. Consul-General, had received the honour of Knighthood, formed fairs and marched to the Canton Club, where they commandeered Sir James, and hoisted him shoulder high and conveyed him to the West River Patrol; there is no one to be compared to the "C.G."

An interesting figure known to the shipping of the world was to leave Calcutta on May 6 in the person of Mr. J. K. Chase, who has been member of the Hooghly Pilot Service for 30 years and is now retiring. (The Hooghly was a forest of masts when Mr. Chase joined it in 1893, years ago, being but sparsely represented; it has been up and down the river, approximately 1,300 times and has safely piloted over 1,600 vessels.)

CHURCH WORK.

THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY CRISIS.

ARCHDEACON BARNETT INTERVIEWED.

The Ven. Archdeacon Barnett who recently returned from Furlough was good enough to grant an interview to a *China Mail* man.

The ten and a half months at home, said the Archdeacon, all change but not all holiday, were filled with happy incidents of various types. Shortly after arrival he and Mrs. Barnett were the guests of Bishop and Mrs. Lander for a few days. It was under the roof of Lyonsdown Vicarage that they spent also their last three nights in the old country. The Bishop seems to be in great request throughout the land as a special speaker and preacher.

C.M.S. Exhibition.

At the end of May the C.M.S. Exhibition at the Agricultural Hall was in full blast. It was the biggest thing in its way that had ever been attempted. From every point of view it was voted a real success. One afternoon the Queen was graciously pleased to spend nearly two hours in the buildings as an interested learner. As Her Majesty stepped from her motor, which drove up to the entrance to the China court, the band of the blind Chinese boys from the C.M.S. school, Poochow, played the National Anthem. Later the Queen sat and listened to them singing. Noticing the Rev. L.L. Lloyd, late of Poochow, he was a gorgeous scarlet priestly robe in front of an immense idol, he held out her hand, and asked questions. The Archdeacon and Mrs. Barnett had the privilege of being presented. Bishop Price and Bishop Lander were other China hands on the spot.

Interest in Things Chinese.

There is little doubt that the number of thinking people at home who take a live interest in Things Chinese is increasing. Drawing-room meetings are readily attended by county folk who ask pointed questions. They would like to understand the situation. "So would I," said the Archdeacon, on deputising in various parts of England during a period of some six months there was opportunity to state facts about the Chinese. There is cause, however, to fear that conclusions drawn by listeners were not always "orthodox." This was inevitable, for it is not easy for stay-at-homes to transport themselves and their imaginations into the essentials of a situation (whether political, social or ecclesiastical) which is based on conditions often very diverse from those of the west. Of sympathy with the Chinese, of appreciation of their good qualities of readiness to help where help seemed needed there was not lacking evidence.

Ireland.

A visit to Ireland in the days when a stranger was awakened every night with the sound of bombs and rifle fire was interesting. It was not exactly a holiday quest, but a response to an invitation to help at certain special meetings in Dublin and the country. The Archdeacon had a delightful fortnight, with a wealth of incident only such as Ireland can offer. It out of the experience one impression stands forth more prominently than another it is the real heroism of the clergy facing quietly their doubled difficulties with depleted congregations. In spite of the loss of so many supporters in the south driven from their homes, and the resultant poverty of others the Church of Ireland's contribution to the funds of C.M.S. for the past year was only £1,000 below the average.

Church Attendance.

So far as he could ascertain the Archdeacon said there appears to be a recovery of church attendance since the slump which followed the armistice. "Man cannot live by bread alone" is a principle which is coming home to the consciences of many. At Westminster Abbey a queue of some hundreds may often be seen waiting for the opening of the doors for the Sunday evening service. Similarly at St. Paul's. Week-day services too in the city seem to be appreciated judging by the attendance. He found Vicars generally encouraged by a more active interest in church affairs shown by the laity. The new Church Councils, where elected men and women discuss and help to decide parochial matters, are a radical but beneficial change importing fresh life into parish interests.

A new general feature since the war is the Institute to be found now in so many of the villages. Well built, and controlled by an elected committee, it has become the social centre of the country side. Lectures, concerts, dances, whist drives, and the like follow one another with surprising rapidity. The compulsory monopoly of country life has been banished by the Institute, which is proving a boon to young and old alike.

The Cult of Macanese.

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BIG CITY PILE.

OWNERS THEIR OWN CONTRACTORS.

INTERESTING EXPERIMENT.

"It is quite an experiment in building—and a bold one at that," said the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall in conversation with a *China Mail* reporter, this morning, about the new building he and business friends are erecting at the corner of Queen's Road and Pedder Street. "It is an experiment in that we are our own contractors," continued Mr. Kotewall. "We buy all the materials and the only sub-contractors we employ are men in charge of labour willing to accept the terms we offer."

The building has already reached the seventh floor and it is easy to see that the experiment has so far been very satisfactory. The Architects are Messrs. Little, Adams and Wood, "who so far have had no difference of opinion with the contractors," laughingly continued Mr. Kotewall.

A FEW DETAILS.

The total area of the building is 14,500 sq. feet. The land and cost of erection of the new building are estimated not to exceed \$1,500,000. When completed the building will be 8½ stories, not including the basement. The ground floor will probably be partly occupied by a bank and the remainder will be rented out as shops. The upper stories are to be let as offices and possibly a restaurant will also occupy a portion. There will be no flats. A portion of the basement will be fitted up as a strong room for the use of the bank. The remainder should make an ideal printing establishment. Besides a service lift, there will be seven others.

"Myself and my friends," said Mr. Kotewall, "decided to take the risk—well-knowing no such attempt had been made in Hongkong before, in the hopes that, if we succeeded, it might encourage others to go and do likewise."

display (wide newspapers *passim*) there is an undoubted desire deep down in the hearts of many for spiritual help. Let a man have a vital message from his Master—an unselfish aim for the good of his fellow—and he will not lack for a congregation every time, no matter what the type of his churchmanship may be. Laymen will discuss Christ as a life proposition, the Church as an institution requiring reform. Strangers in trains are often glad to converse on religious topics. Signs of revival have appeared in various parts of England and Scotland, while at Belfast the very atmosphere of dockland is being purified by a striking religious movement led by one who knows how to appeal to the rank and file of men. The change in the life of hundreds (later reports say thousands) of workers who formerly gave the Church a wide berth is startling. Wives of former drunkards now receive their husbands' wages instead of the weekly black eyes. Shopkeepers are rejoicing because the revival has touched the pockets of old debtors. Customers' conduct is reacting upon the tradesmen, and hidden fire arms are being handed over to the police.

The C.M.S. Crisis.

"The crisis in C.M.S.?" A Bible Churchmen's Missionary Society has been formed by certain who are dissatisfied with conditions within C.M.S. They stand for more rigid control of doctrinal statements and beliefs. The cleaving difference is mainly one of definitions. How far did our Lord's humanity place restrictions upon the fullness of His knowledge as Son of God in respect of mundane matters? In a Society embracing thousands of men and women, each of whom is leader in his or her own little sphere, it is inevitable that there should be variety in interpreting spiritual truth. Scope must be left for variety in unity as well as for growth in spiritual knowledge and experience. After months of discussion the majority of the Society's constituency and all its leaders are satisfied that C.M.S. fundamentally is true to its original evangelical principle. While acknowledging certain reforms in administration (e.g. the appointment of a representative Executive Committee) they stand by the historic society. These include the recognized evangelical leaders of to-day and of the past decades. They refuse to encourage the formation of any new society. Not a few of the remnant who broke away in the first heat of controversy are now reviewing their position. At the same time there is a nucleus of irreconcilables, honest men, which seems determined to sever connection. The C.M.S. Committee has already decided to cease further controversy on their side, and to get on with the job in hand, which is extending the concentration of effort. The scheme for the year ending March 31 was about £300,000 in excess of last year's receipts. Fuller details following the annual meetings at the beginning of May will be issued shortly.

COMMERCIAL.

HONGKONG NOTES AND COMMENT.

COASTAL FREIGHTS DECLINE.

The relative trade prosperity of different places along the coast is generally reflected in freight quotations between the various ports. Take for instance Java, where produce has been fetching fair to good prices. The population is richer and its buying power increased. It should therefore follow that Java's imports would be on the upward grade and freights to Java accordingly higher. On the other hand, there is little or no demand in Hongkong for goods from Java and lines have had to reduce rates continually to compete for cargoes on the return trip. Most of the lines operating ships usually quote in guilders for freight from Java to Hongkong, but the average for the last few weeks has worked out at about 32 cents per picul with a decided downward tendency. This has no doubt been brought about through the unrest in the neighbouring provinces, causing stagnation in Hongkong. Freight space for general cargo from Hongkong to Java is now quoted at about \$11.00 per ton although irregular lines and tramps are willing to accept even less. This is a decided drop from \$13.00 per ton, the rate prevailing at the beginning of the year. Goods are not moving as fast as could be wished in Java and this has been reflected in smaller exports from Hongkong.

Ships carrying rice from Saigon to Hongkong are now demanding about 25 cents per ton, whereas the rate ruling at the end of last year was over 30 cents. Hongkong now imports little rice for export to America and with shipments to Canton having been practically stopped by the inter-ference strife, it only needs enough for domestic use. Mills in Saigon are reluctant to book for any length of time ahead, as they feel that freights may even drop further. Ships on the outward run from Hongkong to Saigon are quoting about \$5 per ton for general cargo, which is exceedingly low. Imports are less and consequently there is less freight offering.

From Bangkok, rice is shipped to Hongkong at about 34 cents per picul, although one or two of the Hongkong dealers are talking of being able to secure tonnage at less. The remarks about Saigon apply equally well here except that there is even less business reported. Outward freights are between \$5.50 and \$6 per ton.

PIECE GOODS.

Numerous enquiries have been made in the cottons market but hardly any business of note has been done. Brocades and Italians are being continually asked for but Chinese dealers are reluctant to come into line on account of transactions and shipments to the interior being out of the question. Prices in Europe are considerably higher but the dealers seem to have made up their minds to "wait and see."

Clearances in standard grades of fancies have been fairly good, despite the depression.

This part of the year is usually the shirtings season but hardly any business has been booked yet.

It was at one time hoped to build up a steady trade in sundries but the lack of interior transport has knocked this on the head.

WANTS TO GO HOME.

SPANISH VAGRANT STRANDED HERE.

Wain Madoe (24), a Spaniard from Guatemala was prosecuted by Detective Sergeant Rozsky before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning for being a vagrant.

Defendant admitted the charge and in reply to a question as to how he came here said that he was a steamer passenger. Asked why he chose Hongkong he altered his statement and said he had worked on board a ship. He was leaving his employment here. He added that he had seen the Spanish Consul but nothing could be done for him and he wished to be sent home.

Sub-Inspector MacDonald told His Worship that Madoe had, for the last two months, been in Canton, Macao and Hongkong getting odd jobs as a motor-driver. His Worship remarked that if he could drive it would be easy for him to find employment, but defendant replied that he could not speak English.

An order was then made for defendant to be committed to the House of Detention.

The Chinese and Japanese ivory dealers, as well as American bond worth \$200 and French and English diamonds worth \$25, were stolen by burglars who forced the front door of Mr. Lynton Grove, Wandsworth, S.W., the residence of Mr. Samuel Sestaro, on the night of April 17.

BOYCOTT TROUBLE.

INTENSE HOSTILITY TOWARDS JAPANESE

PEKING, June 4. Advice from Changsha give details of the anti-Japanese attack on the 1st inst.

When the "Buryo Maru," belonging to the Sino-Japanese Company entered the port, an immense crowd assembled at the wharf and demonstrated in a hostile manner.

The Japanese Consulate, learning of the occurrence, despatched several of the Consular staff to the wharf, at the same time appealing to the gunboat Fushimi for Marines with a view to maintaining communications between the Consulate and the steamer, as the telephone could not be relied upon.

The Japanese were surrounded, and were being beaten, kicked and spat upon.

This situation was reported to the Japanese Consulate, which again appealed to the Fushimi, which landed a small party.

The latter were surrounded and stoned.

In order to clear a passage, the bluejackets fired a round of blank cartridges, and this evidently led the crowd to believe that the bluejackets were without ammunition, and they attempted to disarm the sailors, who thereupon fired, killing two and wounding five or six.

The bluejackets then returned to the Fushimi, leaving the Marines to maintain a line of communications.

The latest telegrams indicate that the Chinese hostility is so intense that the Japanese women and children will probably be obliged to leave Changsha.—Courtesy Daily Bulletin.

ALLEGED PLOT.

MANY ARRESTS MADE IN JAPAN.

Tokyo, June 5. Over a hundred alleged Communists, prominent Socialists and workers were arrested in the early hours of this morning by the police who alleged that they had a serious plot affecting the State.—Reuter.

DR. SUN AND THE NAVY.

ADMIRAL WEN'S DESERTION.

Admiral Wen Shu-teh, commander of the naval squadron in Canton, has been deprived of his rank and order for desertion, says the Canton Daily News. Desertion is the official charge made against Wen, as stated in an order issued in the name of the Generalissimo.

For reasons well known to himself, Wen Shu-teh considered it best to leave Canton quietly and seek temporary refuge in Hongkong. According to information obtained from naval authorities, previous to his hasty departure, Wen Shu-teh assembled all the naval officers and made known his intentions of leaving the men-of-war away from Canton to a certain place thereby severing the navy's relations from Dr. Sun Yat-sen. This was opposed by all the officers, and Wen finding that his treacherous designs failed to meet the approval of the naval officers, believes that Canton is not a very safe place for him to stay, and left.

Immediately after learning that Wen had left the entire body of naval officers called at Headquarters to explain the nature of Wen's desertion. Ex-governor Hu Han-min, who is acting in charge of Headquarters in the absence of Dr. Sun Yat-sen who is now at Shenchung, issued the order in the name of the Generalissimo, removing Wen from office. This order was followed by several appointments placing the different men-of-war in command of their respective captains now directly under the control of the Generalissimo. As yet no one has been appointed to succeed Wen in command of the squadron. The appointment will not be made until Dr. Sun returns from the East River front.

Wen was appointed Commander of the squadron last May and it was thought that he would remain loyal to Dr. Sun Yat-sen whatever might happen. Contrary to all expectations, when Chen Chiung-ming rebelled against Dr. Sun, Wen Shu-teh ordered several of the larger men-of-war to remain neutral. Even when Dr. Sun Yat-sen was in refuge on board one of the smaller ships, Wen hesitated to render any assistance, which resulted in Chen Chiung-ming attacking Whampoa and destroying Dr. Sun's base of operations.

In view of Wen Shu-teh's treachery, precautions are being taken to frustrate any further designs that he may be aiming at the navy.

According to a Tokyo advice to the Daily Bulletin, Ichiya Kumagata has decided to take no further part in international tennis for business reasons.

RADIO SOCIETY RULES.

SUBSCRIPTION FEES FIXED.

At the Hongkong Volunteer Headquarters last evening, an extraordinary meeting of the Hongkong Radio Society was held. Mr. J. H. Donnelly (President) was in the chair, supported by Mr. A. B. Raworth (Vice-President) and Mr. D. Tolan (Hon. Secretary). There were between 60 and 70 members present out of a total membership of 109. The draft rules were dealt with at some length and certain amendments passed, on the motion of Mr. C. D. Melbourne, seconded by Mr. Harris.

The entrance fee was fixed at \$5, with an annual subscription of the same amount. On payment of \$50 or ten times the annual subscription (should this in future be altered) one can become a life member.

Mr. A. Hicks, referring to one of the rules, asked as a matter of information, whether the Society proposed opening a bar. The President replied that the Committee were looking ahead. "No doubt some of us may want a bar," he added. The President acknowledged gifts to the Society of three sets of practice keys and signal sets from Mr. Melbourne and 40 copies of "Popular Wireless" from Mr. D. O. da Silva.

Mr. A. W. van Andel enquired whether the Society would consider the advisability of starting a class for Morse Code. He said he felt sure there would be several members who would be quite prepared to join.

The President replied that now the Society was in possession of practice keys, Mr. Carash had kindly promised to give instruction to any members who desired to become efficient in Morse. He advised that members should practise at home for at least ten minutes a day.

Mr. Chesterton: Nobody ever learnt Morse at home. You may be able to tap the keys to your own satisfaction but never to the satisfaction of anyone else.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chairman, which on the motion of Mr. A. van Andel, was carried by acclamation.

OBJECTS OF THE SOCIETY.

The objects of the Society are set forth as follows:—

- To further the study of the science of Radio Telegraphy and Telephony.
- To acquire apparatus which will be of assistance to the above object.
- To provide a reference library of technical literature dealing with the subject.
- To give assistance and advice to all who are interested in the subject.
- To provide lectures and demonstrations.
- To safeguard as far as possible the interests of all users of radio apparatus.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

Hok Canton, (Hong On) from Fort Bayard.—Co's Wharf.
Atsuta Maru, (N.Y.K.) from London, Singapore.—Kowloon Wharf.
Hannya Maru, (N.Y.K.) from Yokohama, Shanghai.—A3.
Kaping, (Sung Kee) from Haiphong, Pakhoi.—C3.
Sunning, (B. & S.) from Shanghai, Amoy.—Off Stonecutters.
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Campinas, (Lapicque & Co.) from Saigon.—Off Stonecutters.
Shenamoy, (J. M. & Co.) from Shanghai.—Adm 1.

DEPARTURES.

Nippon, (Dodwell & Co) for Trieste, Singapore.—June 5.
Taipei, (Yu Tai Hong) for Canton.—June 5.
Atsuta Maru, (N.Y.K.) for Kobe, Shanghai.—June 5.
Chenan, (B. & S.) for Bangkok, Swatow.—June 5.
Po Tung, (Chun Tung) for Fort Bayard.—June 5.
Szechuen, (B. & S.) for Shanghai, Amoy.—June 5.
Wai Shing, (J. M. & Co.) for Canton.—June 5.
Soudan, (P. & O.) for Bombay, Singapore.—June 5.
Altai Maru, (O.S.K.) for Bombay, Singapore.—June 5.
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Hang Sang, (J. M. & Co.) for Bangkok, Swatow.—June 5.
Hatchling, (Douglas & Co.) for Fochow, Swatow.—June 5.
Relyo Maru, (T.K.K.) for New York, Batavia.—June 5.
Protea, (Klin Tye-jung) for Bangkok.—June 5.
Protea, (Yuen Pa Hong) for Bangkok.—June 5.

WHO'S WHO.

LATEST CHINA COAST CHANGES.

M. A. Polydoroff, second officer, "Kweilin," has gone second officer, "Luanyi."

Mr. E. Williams, second officer, "Luanyi," is on reserve.

Mr. W. J. Turner, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Kiungchow."

Mr. T. Hughes, third officer, "Fooshing," is on reserve.

Captain G. H. Pennefather, of the "Kaying," is on reserve.

Captain R. Mitchell, of the "Teau," has gone master, "Kaying."

Captain R. H. G. Ashby, from reserve, has gone master, "Teau."

Mr. J. McKelvie, second officer, "Teau," is on reserve.

Mr. I. Newton, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Teau."

Mr. L. W. Harrison, second officer, "Kaying," is on reserve.

Mr. J. M. Stewart, acting chief officer, "Kaying," has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. S. M. Barling, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Kaying."

Mr. E. R. McDermid has been appointed acting third engineer, "Tatung."

Mr. R. K. Burns, second engineer, "Hsin Peking," is on leave.

Mr. J. Ryles, third engineer, "Yingchow," has gone second engineer, "Hsin Peking."

Mr. G. Henderson, third engineer, "Woosung," has gone third engineer, "Yingchow."

Mr. M. G. Sinclair, third engineer, "Szechuen," has gone third engineer, "Luanyi."

Mr. E. Bowler, third engineer, "Luanyi," has gone third engineer, "Szechuen."

Mr. T. Edmunds, from leave, has gone third engineer, "Kinkiang."

Mr. J. V. King, third engineer, "Kinkiang," has gone third engineer, "Kwangsang."

Mr. F. M. Laird, third engineer, "Kwangsang," is on reserve.

Mr. J. L. Squibb, second officer, "Kwangsang," has resigned.

Mr. V. Petherick, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Kwangsang."

Mr. C. S. McAlister has been appointed sup'y second officer, "Kungwo."

Mr. L. J. Fugler has been appointed sup'y second officer, "Luenho."

Mr. G. Bolam, second officer, "Yatshing," is on reserve.

Mr. T. Wilkinson, second officer, "Hopsang," has gone second officer, "Yatshing."

Mr. J. Halkett, sup'y third engineer, "Kungwo," has gone sup'y second engineer, "Tungshing."

Mr. A. S. Fraser, second engineer, "Tungshing," has gone sup'y second engineer, "Kungwo."

Mr. J. McLachlan, third engineer, "Loksang," has gone third engineer, "Fooshing."

BEATEN THREE HOURS.

SERVANT GIRL ALLEGES CRUELTY.

TIED UP TO PREVENT ESCAPE.

A charge of assaulting a servant girl by tying her up and beating her, with a cane from 11 p.m. on May 27 till 2 p.m. on May 28 was laid against Lam Fung-chau (46), shopkeeper of 68, Main Street, Shaikwan, before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning.

Mr. W. B. Hind defended and Sub-Inspector Richard Lanigan prosecuted.

Dr. C. W. McKenny, of the Government Civil Hospital, gave evidence as to the girl's injuries. He said that she had well defined bruises on both arms just above her wrists. Both hands were swollen. Her left leg and left thigh also had bruises and there were water blisters on various parts of her body. She was still in hospital and was being treated for the septic condition of her hands as the result of her injuries.

Replying to a question by Mr. Hind, Dr. McKenny said that both the injuries on her wrists and her thigh gave the appearance of her having been tied and beaten with a cane. He could not suggest any other cause of the injuries.

His Worship asked witness to give an estimate of the length of time that the servant girl had been tied up and was informed that it must have been a considerable number of hours, at least six or eight.

The Magistrate: Would that have been painful? It would have been very painful.

Inspector Lanigan, asked to outline the facts of the case, stated that the girl went to the station and said that she had been accused of stealing two diamond rings. She had been tied up from 11 p.m. on May 27 till 2 p.m. on May 28.

At this stage Mr. Hind said that it would be of assistance to the Court if he stated his line of defence. This was that defendant was in Macao at the time and his son would say that he tied up the girl to prevent her running away till his father's return.

His Worship then made an order for an adjournment till Thursday. Meanwhile the parties concerned are to see the C.S.P. to ascertain, in view of Mr. Hind's statement, whether the father of the son should be charged.

HIDDEN ARMS.

THIS MORNING'S COURT CHARGES.

That he had two revolvers, one in a case of preserved apricots, and the other in a case of preserved apricots, was the charge preferred against a stout Chinese returned emigrant who was a passenger by the s.s. "President Jackson." The case came before Mr. J. R. Wood and Mr. Leo d'Almeida appeared to defend. An application for a remand till to-morrow morning, was granted bail being allowed in the sum of \$100.

Sub-Inspector Spear, of the Water Police, secured a conviction against a Chinese named Mok Shing-po for possession of a Colt revolver and 210 rounds of ammunition on the s.s. "Empress of Russia." A fine of \$500 was imposed and the contraband confiscated.

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Hongkong, June 5, 1923.

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At this Meeting the Creditors will be asked to determine whether an application shall be made to the Court for the appointment of any person as Liquidator in the place of or jointly with myself the Liquidator appointed by the Company or for the appointment of a Committee of inspection.

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CHINA OF THE AGES.

WISDOM UNDER THE
WILLOW TREES.

Under the willow trees in Tsingtau, the ways of the East and the ways of the West can be weighed. Once upon a time, there was a little boy who lived with his grandfather. Now the old man did many things in ways that the boy could not understand. It seemed that a great many of them could be improved upon and that the rest were silly things for even an old man to spend time upon, writes Chinensis Judges in the *China Review*.

Indeed, when the boy was very much puzzled he had the feeling that his grandfather was a dotard who should not be humored. More and more he wondered if old people were not in the way. He even wished these sentiments to those who had lived much longer. "You are very young," he was told, "and your grandfather is very old. How can one who has so few years understand the ways of one who has lived so long?"

The willow trees rustled with an ancient wind, a breath in the heavens that must have come all the way from the middle of Asia it was as if it were blowing things. "This is it between the West and the East. America is a very young nation and China a very old country. You have not lived long enough to know the timelessness of time; therefore the ways of an ancient people cannot be understood by you. Since you are a youthful nation with so much to do, you cannot be taught but impatient with the ways that have kept a civilization living for five thousand years. After all, you in the West have just got to do with your earth-binding machines!" observed my friend.

He was in things Chinese as we sat under the willow trees in Tsingtau. *Hongkong.*

Hongkong dawned the sun rising out of China across the bay. It looks over the almost vertical range of barren crags behind Kowloon bounding the New Territory like a great copper ball.

When it catches the tips of houses in a corolline tint. In a moment the way down fingers scintillatingly out toward the drowsy Western line riding peacefully at anchor. The night-long pall of shadows lifts from Hongkong with a rustle as though some giant hand had drawn it back into the blanching heavens for another day. Step by step, the city's tormented ways stand out under the sunrise marching across the sky. The streets lose their night anonymity, falling back sharply toward the brooding heights of the Peak a serrated sweep of cavernous gashes.

This perspective of a new day opens, a vista of glinting walls and sun-etched balconies gleaming through the dank green foliage. Behind, the hum of closely packed humanity beginning the treadmill of the long daily struggle for crumbs of existence rises into the vibrant beat of pulsating life. The work-day native world is set in motion the while the West sleeps on to the tired drone of fans. The humid tropic heat descends. Of a sudden, the city sounds incessantly pound in upon the brain. The hypnotic fanfare of mounting coolie cries, the pattering feet upon the sun-subbed way below, the shrill whine of wooden wheels turning agonizingly upon wood, the more distant undertone of grinding trains a menacing note of Western invasion, the staccato intermittent sea sounds from the aroused water-front assail. Sudden sleep until Ah Ching awakes me.

Macao—Relic of Empire.
It glimmers at the mouth of the Canton River estuary silted up into a console dream of past glory. Almost within the shadow of Hongkong, Britain's stronghold in Eastern seas, Macao stands as a decayed monument to Portuguese empire and the brave days of the "great captains." No longer do three centuries of ships make it a happy haven for Chinese trade from the four corners of the earth. A relic of ghostly galleons and clipper ships, it lies fallen hopelessly into the dusty annals of commerce that once was great.

To-day, the Chinese junk, with their garish painted eyes at the prow scanning the lilies green waters untroubled save for the swift passage

of the daily steamer from Hongkong, keep up the pretence of existence. Only for a moment can the impressive approach deceive, its guardian wooded shoulder villa-dotted and crowned with the once-mighty battlements of ancient forts. There is something deadly in the revelation of the place as the panorama of the inner harbour opens up beyond the moth-eaten Fort of St. Thung da Barra. Across the anchorage lies a dimmy, drab, third-rate cruiser embroiled in drooping awnings to break the pitiless sun of tropic summer. Beyond it a number of guard boats, beflagged with the listless Portuguese ensign swing lazily with the tide in watching over a clutter of junks—foreground for the quaint original hills with their frowzy patches of vegetation only emphasizing the very barrenness of it all. The while, an easy-going dredge spasmodically stretches its long arm into the silted up fairway.

Then Macao itself sprawls along the leeward side of the hills—the landing and bund, with its babble of runners, ricksha men, hawkers, gambling house touts, noisily Chinese; an Old World touch about the place withal, a Latin civilization built into the stone houses of Romanesque architecture; balustraded terraces; long, be-shuttered windows; arched galleries. Yet the "Monte Carlo of the Orient" cannot forget the narrow, foul-smelling Chinese alleys cutting across the precisely collared roadway; nor the encroaching opium dens and the sing-song girls. Over the licensed gambling houses, the fan-tan joints, and the lotteries there broods from a three-hundred foot hillside the facade of the destroyed Collegiate Church of St. Paul. A tier of ten Corinthian pillars on ten Ionic columns. Carved from top to bottom.

An eagle, six fired saints on either side, the image of the Virgin, the dragon, the skeleton, a galleon as a minor motif. All looming like a ghostly stage set of some abandoned super-production.

Smells as only smells east of Suez, peculiar Asia's underlying sovereignty. They give the lie to the European exterior thrown over all as the tattered mantle of a hygienic Portuguese grandee. Across the hazy horizon stands old Cathay reborn—a snare of land, water, bounded, with its trees standing against the skyline like the pattern on a bit of ancient Willow Ware.

And Elsewhere.
The longest bar in the world, the one hundred and ten feet of oasis at the Shanghai Club crowded at noon with the captains of industry of the Eastern World. The austere atmosphere of the British Museum transplanted to the Orient after the daily toil hour. The solidity of the Briton who has been long time in the East and purposes to remain longer.

The Hankow Country Club's vivid stretch of green at tea time. The green grass, the yards of billowing canvas awning a swaying green barrier to the lowering sun, and the cool, fresh ladies in white languidly sipping from long glasses patronizingly flanking with crushed ice.

A certain ten-man country club in an "outpost" with its pool, ponies, and poker on the edge of a strange, strange land. The rows of bottles. Stumbling back to the foreign settlement in the tepid grey dawn. Especially cursing the Chinese "boys" who had forgotten the ricksha men.

The classical—Americanoque architecture of the Legation primly set against the walls of old Peking. The jazz of the American Marine's Band at a diplomatic tea maintaining the prestige of our statesmanship in international circles. The bottomless Chinese "wisdom" of "ting shai," that Oriental keeper of American diplomatic gates at the Chancellery. The legion of guards on parade. The empty shell of the Russian Legation but the high cost in rubles of a passport visa good—more or less—for Siberia. The Peking Club on Armistice Day.

Contracts, concessions, concessions—such is the West in the East.

CHINA IN TWO WORLDS.
One day I wandered through a Yangtze River town, you have never heard of and cannot find upon the map.

Beyond the moldering city walls, where things have been as they are for a thousand years, I came upon a

newly laid out settlement for all the world like a California real estate scheme awaiting the boom. It had nicely graded dirt streets all bisecting each other at right angles. It had trees set out along the roadway—no could almost see the awarding of a prize for the best kept bungalow garden. A checker-board of vacant lots, it stood as a monument to faith in New China. I gently prodded the sweating ricksha boy into progress again and set out down a *ma-lan* to find the answer to the riddle.

By and by, I came upon the outskirts of the place. My ears were assailed by a strange and strident humming noise. *Ping! P-i-n-g!* Ahead of me, a stalwart Chinese was belabouring a fibrous white mass with a bowl-like implement. He was busily engaged in carding cotton on a primitive frame set up out of doors upon trestles. Another man stepped back and forth spinning yarn on a bamboo spindle before the cottage wall. Within the doorway a boy was glimpsed dextrously running a creaking wooden loom, spelling a woman with a couple of little pig-tailed children rulling at her blue jean trousers legs. The lad was machine-like in his precision—the maker of the loom shifted rhythmically up and down, the warp being thrown mechanically through the width of the contrivance as the rocker moved, the roll of cloth growing in his lap.

Then behind this Yangtze family's cottage industry there loomed the new red brick walls of a great building, dwarfing the thatched farm houses about it. Ten thousand spindles from the United States were being set up within its span of shining tile roof. In a little while there would be no more cottage spinning in the open air, the clean country sunlight thrown off from the mud walls. The gates of another Chinese spinning mill would close twelve hours a day upon man, woman, and child. The devouring machines would do the work of a hundred thousand contented families living close to the Cathay rail. Even a very little tot can use its tiny hands in the temple of machines brought by the commercial missionaries from the West. Ten cents—"Mex"—a day. Tuberculosis. Smoke. Tired bits of green things. More tired human beings. Dividends. The countryside retreats.

FROM A WINDOW OF THE
GRAND HOTEL.

KALEE—SHANGHAI.
Through the dusk
Ho-ho! Ha-ha!

Through the dusk the ricksha cries
Jostle from the thoroughfare.
Assailing ear, they shrilly rise
To pierce dead day's fetid air.

The twisted street takes a gangrenous hue
Shanghai night looms on the threshold.
Tinted with the rampant stew
Of simmering chow from rookeries old.

Through the dusk the ricksha cries
Like curses palpant, disturb
Sensuous, sensual, dusky skies
Which smugly the town engird.
Through the dusk—Ho-ho!
The dusk—Ha-ha!

CHINESE THINGS AL FRESCO.
Over the garden wall comes the strident singing sound of humming reed. *Zung! Z-u-n-g!* The metallic buzz draws closer down the street. Suddenly it is silenced at the very crescendo of its vibrant call.

When I looked out through the gate two Chinese were in parley on the corner of the lane. A moment's bargaining—then one of them unsling a box and opened up a kit. From its interior, a shaving equipment appeared. In the twinkling of an eye, an itinerant barber shop was set up; a pan of water on the cabinet, a glinting set of razors upon a little shelf, strange implements for divers purposes.

The customer squatted down with a lordly air. The barber plied his trade. A shave, my friend? Now a deft trimming of the nostril hairs. The wax removed from the ears. Another client in the offing.

A Peking Delmonico's.
Down *Hatemis Street*, the Fifth Avenue of China's capital, there is a corner where the gormandizers of lowly substance nose the faint of cooking on the air languidly.

Come early in the morning—the crack of dawn—and nothing but shuttered shops and walled courts shrouded in discreet quiet can be seen. Yet as if by magic suddenly a little cavalcade, torn from the communal "warmth" of some verminous inn, comes down the street. Bloated, wicker campers, swaying ponderously from the ends of poles, are borne upon the bent shoulders of the proprietor of a peripatetic restaurant. The strategy cornered, an amazing copying forth of travelling kitchen—well-stocked pantry—stretches of well-worn table boards on trunks with shiny benches from the bur-

dens of this Delmonico and his entourage.

Soon that never to be forgotten tang of Chinese chow seizes the air. Customers plump down their coppers and turn upon bowls of steaming, gleaming white rice—veritably inhaling China's staff of life with avid gustatory pleasure.

Wooden Ware.
The blank walls of a hurried out house stare at one in the night hours. Yet by day this is a bustling bargain counter of wooden ware usurped by some wandering merchant.

Row after row, the great bowls are ranged in serried rank. Then smaller and smaller they grow. And great wooden spoons. Shorter wooden spoons. Little wooden spoon. Families of baskets, boxes—all things of wood. They gleam like works of art in the morning sun, white, fresh, almost nungent. Chinese housewives look at them like their sisters in the West, hypnotized by the lure of kitchen things.

Jade.
The jade merchant has spread his wares in endless rows of alluring baubles. Everything imaginable that is useless intrigues the eye. Sun-struck, they hold the gaze in their cool, smooth lines and weirdly carved surfaces. Snuff boxes, jewelry containers, trays, grotesque trees and grottoes wrought in fantastic disregard of nature cajole your cash. Some are of aristocratic whiteness. Others are worked in blood-like reds and sea-greens. The price seems dear. You know of other stalls nearby where the cost is one-half of this merchant. He becomes voluble in his grief as you would ruthlessly slash his last price. An audience has formed about you with appreciative grins.

But one moment, my friend, is not this but soapstone being cunningly wrought in Soochow? How spurious to the cheek it feels where fingers the caress of a bit of ancient imperial jade from Khotan. Then Jade Gate in the West.

Tatung.
Chim's great highway has burst its bounds, the Yangtze leaping ruthlessly through the barrier dykes hungrily to take its toll of man's handiwork.

Miles on miles of flooded rice fields turn the farmers into fishermen to make up for the lost crops. A large town, punctuated on the horizon by three pagodas, slides by us into the dwindling background. The anomaly of a telegraph line stilted across the country breaks the monotony of the flat, dark bank, fringed with trees broken now and then by little rises and a huddle of huts.

Tatung looms up a bayon, a fair-sized place with its whitewashed walls seeming to convey its affluence tucked in a pocket of the Anhwei hills. It is a boat station, river men bringing a fifty-foot lighter out into mid-stream to pick us up for a moment, transfer a few passengers and their belongings, then drop back in a burst of cries as we cast them off and head on upriver. Great stretches of reeds wave trippingly in the wind like the tule marshes of San Francisco Bay. Poor folk are busily engaged in cutting them for fuel mats, waiting for their mud-plastered huts. Fishermen use combs like the Irish made from the reeds, slowly raising their masklike faces as we pass devoid curiosity in the lethargic day on day toll isolated from all things.

Between Noon and Evening.
Mountains on either side of the Yangtze fall away like some gigantic gateway. Their hard shoulders stand out bare and challenging. A little brush on the green slopes soon to be brown seems tired of clinging to life. The angular stratification of the hills stands out gaunt, granite outcrops showing bald in age-like disillusionment. It is terribly pristine, as though the thousands of years of Chinese life had left them victor. Far through the clear atmosphere, each use fringing the reverse slopes could be seen, sticking sharp into the blue sky.

Country folk along the shore line harvest, intently, the river's gift of reeds. The isolation of their lives seemed to detach them from the pulsating life of China's four hundred millions—rather, they seemed never to have been connected with anything like a national pulse. They appear to exist as strings of wattle-daubed and thatched huts, dwellers on the margin of the river, their pigs in the yard, their felling nets rising and falling lackadaimically from great rigs like the labours of prehistoric animals.

The weathered junka slip up and down like grey wraiths of a forgotten age, the people on them as beings from another world. A veritable wilderness passes in review, gripping one in the tangle of shadows.

Now and then on the north bank delta land given over to millet opens up. Canals lead toward the thriving inland counties. The mountain ranges recede from the other shore, ragged, purpling a scene of three frets sharp against the falling light.

Toward evening this becomes a Confucian scene—country gentry walking homeward, two acqui-

ors follow with dogs, donkeys, goats, and cattle, one ridden by the herder. They browse along the dykes. After them toddles a foot-bound woman.

The Night Stage.
The aloofness of the oncoming night is routed by a sudden blaze of lights ahead and the babble of excited voices. We slip into a fleet of river fishermen plying their trade in the night hours. The myriad of flares make their labours like countless great fire-flies settled on the glossy black surface of the Yangtze.

Torches wave excitedly as we run by heavy-laden junka tied up for the night, apparitions for a moment as we pass. Then a lone boatman stalks the night from the hill-side and we surge once again through the river obscurity. Of a sudden we swing round a bend into full view of a Chinese city, the lit-up fronts of the godowns lining in the bund while little bursts of light mark the buildings climbing back up the bluff. A long boat shoots into mid-stream to the yells of the oarsmen. It drops down to us, is made fast in a bedlam of shouts and maledictions—a breathless exchange of cargo, human and baled. A new parade: munition breaks in upon the night as the lighter is cast off. The pilot whistles twice to the bridge; the rapid pound of marine engines picking up way shakes the river steamer as the boatman drops rapidly astern in the grip of the Yangtze current toward the mellowing city lights. They blur away in the sudden triumph of the night. Only the rattle of the river remains to mark our eerie descent upon Nanking.

OVER THE HILLS AND FAR AWAY.
There is a crooked little byway opening off Legation Street that is an arm's length wide and I do not know how many hundreds of miles long. All I know about it is that when you walk up it, you must be on the watch for strange foot-falls. Pudding feet. Almost inaudible save for a sibilant warning scuffle as they come up behind you.

Discretion here is the better part of valour—even if you are a lordly foreigner with exterritorial rights, legation guards, and embassies. A dragon-like head poised on the shaggy long neck of an antediluvian monster is apt to come upon you with stentorian breath, a load of rice-mat bundles slung between the humps of its back. The recess of a doorway is a good place if you meet a camel train. They pass you by disdainfully, swaying ponderously yet easily under their burdens, as they round a corner.

The padded footfalls recede along the way. Out through the Tartar Wall they go. Through the Chinese City. On and on. Toward the Western Hills. Urgu. Tsin from Cathay to Moscow to-day as three hundred years ago.

THE POMP OF YESTERDAY.
The centre of the universe—concentric circles of terraced marble cunningly carved in endless symmetries. The very altar of the world's oldest living people. The groves of ancient trees sigh ominously while the nodding summer grass stealthily encroaches on the marble ways. Desolate pavilions mark a bygone imperial splendour. The wind rustles through the broken latticed windows in ghostly whispers where half a dozen dynasties have seen the Son of Heaven prepare to intercede for the people. Court on court, vermillion walled, open on a vista of forgotten temples—a perspective of architectural splendour culminating in the dominating purple dome of the Temple of Heaven itself. Its gilded apex glints gallantly in the high noon sun. But underneath the purple sweep of tiled domes, the heavy overhanging eaves—each one of a hundred thousand the colourful crest of a peacock feather—seem weary of their task. Though the old order passes, the rich shadows within overlaying the gaudy tracery of the interior make one worship for a moment the sheer beauty of the deserted place. Reverence for strange things lays hold of one as bygone glories people the temple with its brilliant past.

They tell me a wireless station is to be installed where once emperors bowed their knees. There is no blasphemy like that of the forgetting generation of one's own people.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMER.

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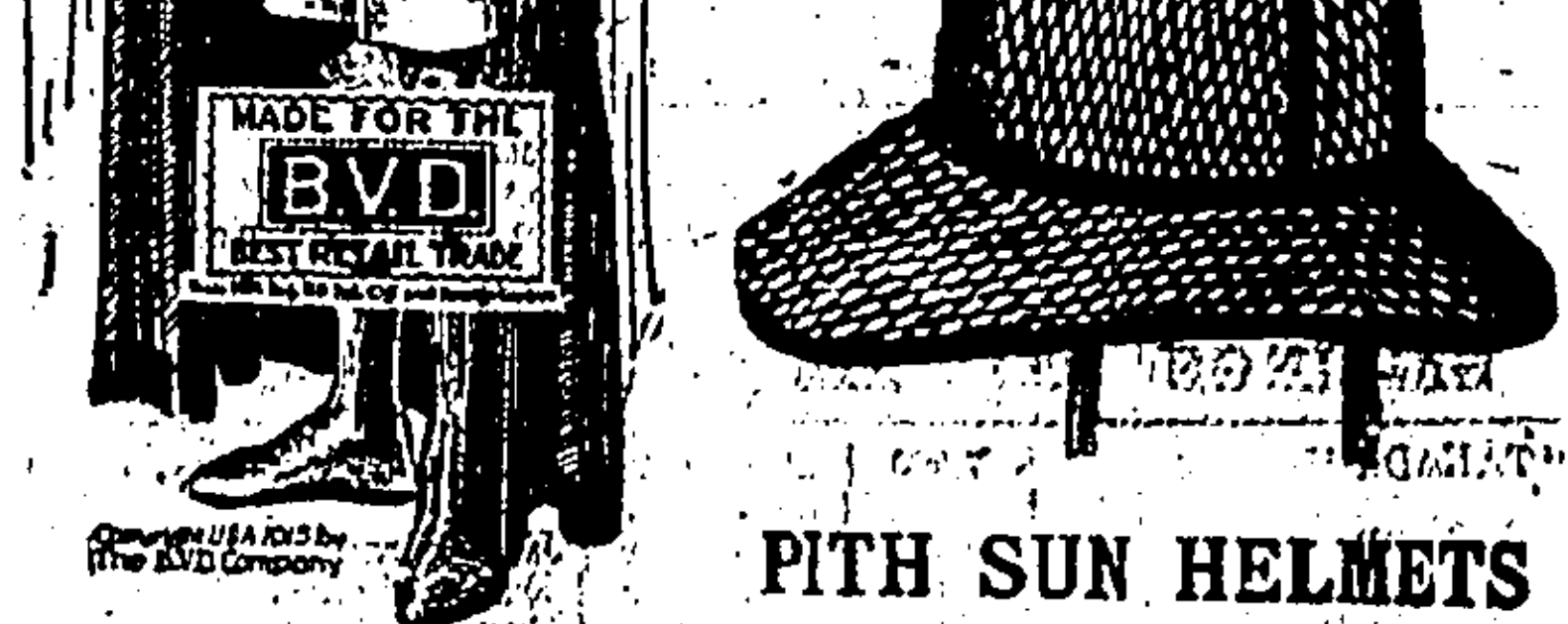
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CHINA'S EVILS.
PIRACY AND BRIGANDAGE.
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Probably the greatest problem with which China is faced to-day is that of the suppression of pirates and brigands, whose depredations are becoming more and more daring and frequent, and who constitute a progressive element of chaos in a country whose affairs would in any case be chaotic, says *Shipping and Engineering*. The consummate daring of the pirates is equalled only by their inviolable success, and the proportion of cases in which they fail and are brought to book is so small as to be dismissed as negligible. It is a noteworthy fact that in their attacks on large ships they have been equally as successful as those upon smaller fry such as trading junks, and, with conditions as they are, there is apparently no limit to their possible activities, and no vessel trading on the China Coast which can wholly be considered as not subject to possible attack. The recent holding up of the China Merchants' ss. "Taishun" provides another good lesson, equally as illuminating as the attacks on the "Kwanglee" and the "Sui An," and shows without the shadow of a doubt that piracy still flourishes in China as a profession, and that something more than mere piracy regulations and guards and precautions are necessary if this class of pest is to be exterminated, or at least deprived of its power to constitute a real and definite danger to shipping and the travelling public.

From the various reports and pieces of information which have been received, it seems clear that the pirates who so successfully attacked the "Kwanglee" were allied to, if not identical with, those who plundered the "Sui An" and it is equally possible that the pirates who were responsible for the "Kwanglee" affair more than a year ago were similarly directed from the same headquarters—the district of Weichow. It has been suggested that the pirates have their headquarters in either Hongkong or Shanghai, but there is little support in each port of highly organized forces of detectives would naturally tend to induce the pirates to have their hiding or directing spirits located elsewhere.

It appears, from the experiences of recent pirates, that the desperadoes are highly organized, and that, except in the most confined of waters, such measures as wireless telegraphy, grills, armed guards, etc., while undoubtedly constituting a necessary precaution, will render no vessel absolutely immune from attack. The pirates are able to board vessels—in Chinese ports at any rate—in any numbers they choose, without having to undergo any intensive and thorough searching, and so long as this state of affairs exists and pirates are inclined to attack ships, there is nothing that will wholly deter them from making periodical attempts. The root of the whole lies in China itself, in the form of the chaotic internal condition of the country, which allows of all sorts of lawless elements, pirates and brigands, attacking practically where and when they choose. The Linchpin courage has shown that travelling by railway in China is equally as hazardous as travelling by sea, and that the only real cure for the present state of affairs is to attack and rout out the pirates and brigands with as little delay as possible. That this is a difficult proposition there can be no doubt, and the apathy and personal ambitions of the Chinese authorities, political and military, makes the prospect of its early fulfilment very remote. As we have stated, it has practically been proved that the same body of pirates was responsible for both the "Sui An" and the "Taishun" attacks, and that the headquarters were, and presumably are, at Weichow. These facts, and many corollary details thereto, must be known to the Canton authorities, yet there has been no punitive expedition, not talk of one, to Weichow to bring the pirates to book and to teach others a lesson that is so sorely needed. Wireless or no wireless, armed guards or no armed guards, grills or no grills, so long as no attempt is made to punish these desperadoes of the sea, so long will there be pirates, or serious attempts at piracy, and it seems that if neither of the bodies that pass for governments at Peking and Canton cannot or will not do anything, the foreign powers, for the protection of their own national interests, and incidentally of Chinese interests as they will have seriously to take a hand. The sooner the better.



Charles W. Davis, 73-year-old Civil War veteran, is now alleged to have seventeen wives. In at least six different States warrants have been issued for his arrest as a bigamist.



A world-wide hunt has been begun for "King Benjamin" Purnell, chief of the "House of David," who disappeared during the trial of a civil suit, when shocking stories of immorality under the guise of religion were narrated.



Boy soloist, with a "wonderful voice," who has now been promised a thorough education, including a college course. The boy, who is 14, is the son of a druggist.



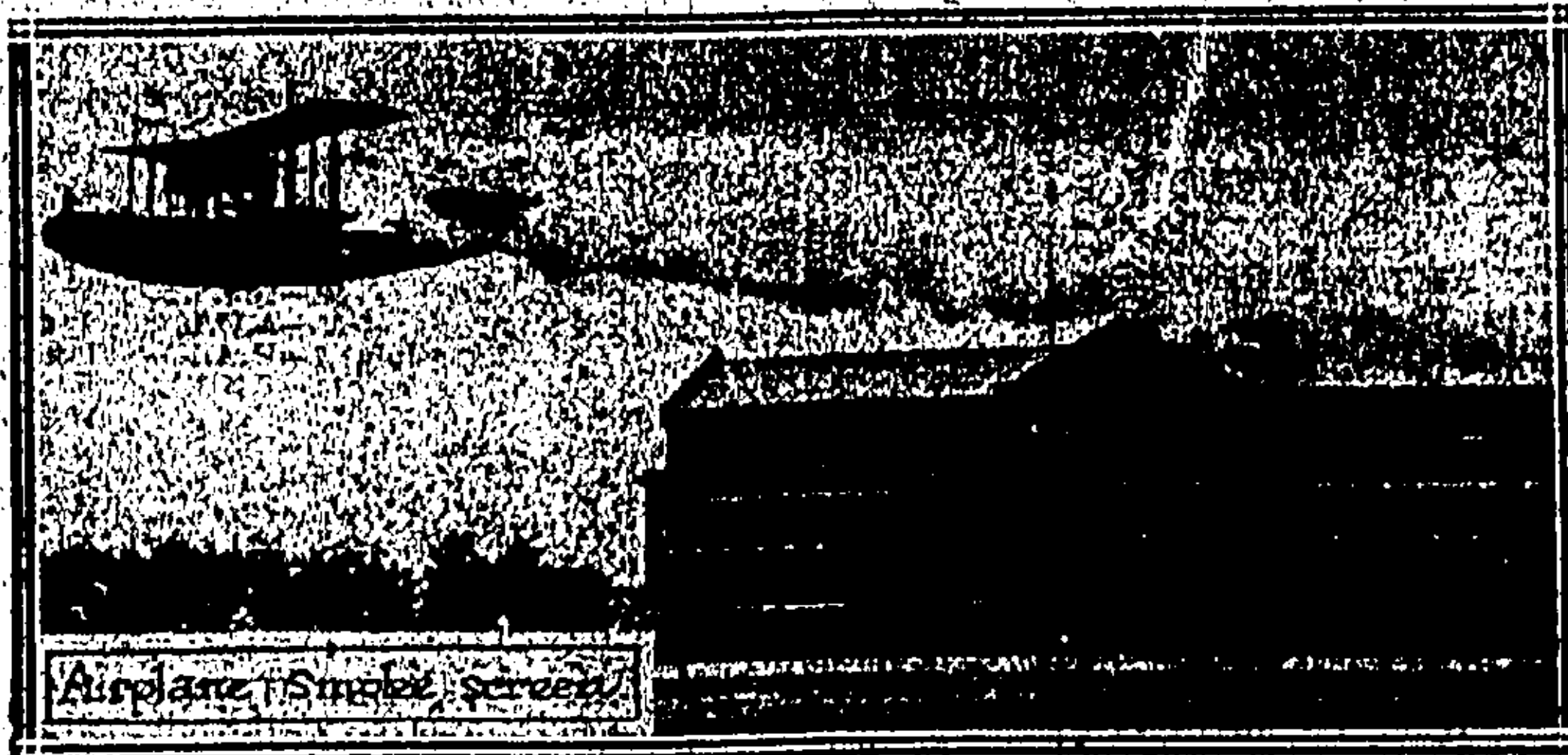
The engagement has been announced of Miss Louisa Hoar, daughter of Mrs. Frederick H. Gillette, wife of the Speaker of the American House of Representatives, and Christopher La Farge, of New York.



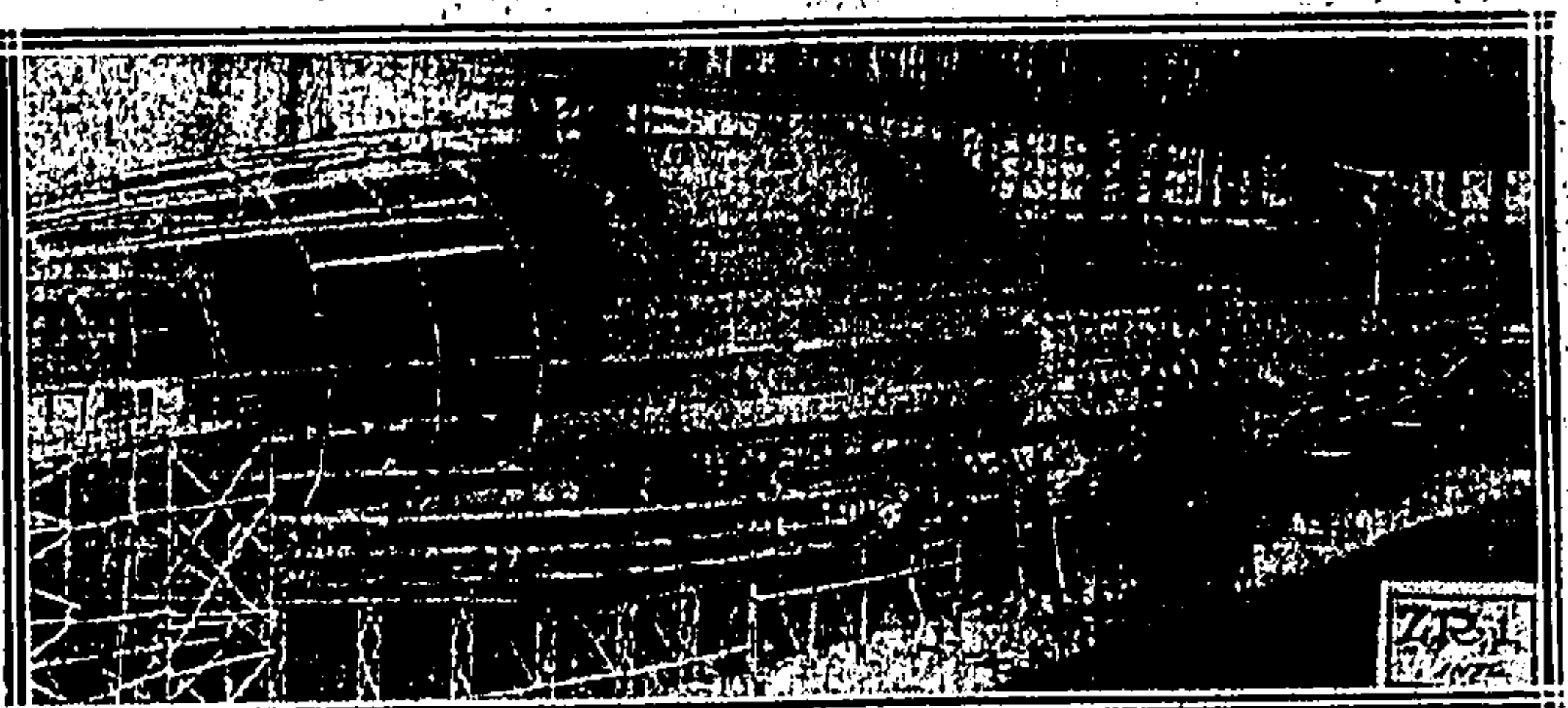
Appointed Chief of the Division of Training in the United States Navy.



Harry B. Mason, President of the Philatelist Association, owns the world's finest collection of stamps. The association, under his direction, will hold a convention shortly.



Manoeuvres of troops close to the front lines in future wars will be conducted behind dense smoke screens laid 100 feet or more above the earth by aeroplanes. Experiments with smoke screens have been conducted with successful results. The above photograph shows an aeroplane laying down a smoke screen.



Work on the huge ZR-1, the world's largest dirigible balloon, is being pushed ahead. Already parts of the covering of the immense bag are being placed in position over the steel framework, and some of the heavier equipment is being fastened inside. The above gives a good idea of the size of the dirigible, which will make trips to both the North and the South Poles.



In honour of the marriage of Princess Jolanda, daughter of the Italian rulers, to the dashing cavalry captain, Count Galve d'Ber-gola, Pope Pius XI gave permission to Cardinal Maffi, stationed in the Vatican, to celebrate the marriage ceremony in the Pauline Chapel of the Quirinal Palace, in Rome. The civil ceremony took place in the throne room.



Carl F. Goodnow, a "boy wonder," twice the victim of mysterious injuries, is once more in hospital. He said something about being struck while walking on a lonely road, but could tell no more, before he became unconscious. Three years ago he was struck by a cricket ball, amnesia resulting, during which he refused to go to school, ran away from home and tramped the country.



Miss Amelia Ebert, daughter of President Ebert, of the German Republic, is shown here with Dr. Wilhelm Jaenecke, her fiance, to whom she is soon to be married. Fraulein Ebert is an employee of the Public Library in Berlin.



Mrs. Rachel Noah France, 83, for 20 years one of the old Boston Theatre stock players, leading lady for Edwin Booth, Januscheck, Salvini and Joseph Jefferson, is the guest, in New York City, of the Leland Powers Club and has been persuaded to give her numerous reminiscences of the stage. The most thrilling episode of her life was that of playing in Ford's Theatre, in Washington, the night President Lincoln was assassinated by John Wilkes Booth.



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